

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are currently pending. Claims 2, 11, 18, and 19 have been cancelled. Claims 20-26 have been added. Thus, upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 3-10, 12-17, and 20-26 will be pending.

I. 35 USC § 112, Second Paragraph

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-6 and 17-19 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

The Examiner states that claims 1-6 are substantial duplicates. However, Applicant has the right to restate the invention in a reasonable number of ways. “Indeed, a mere difference in scope between claims has been held to be enough.” MPEP § 706.03(k). Claims 1 and 3-6 in the pending application are of different scope. The dihydrate of claim 1, for example, is not limited to the particular characterizations recited in claims 3-6. Therefore, since the scope of each of these claims is different, these claims are not substantial duplicates.

The Examiner also states that claim 17 does not completely describe the invention. Although Applicant respectfully disagrees, claim 17 has been amended to more clearly recite the claimed invention.

According to the Examiner, the recitation of “organic liquid” in claim 7 should be clarified. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, claim 7 has been amended to better reflect a preferred embodiment of the invention, thereby rendering the rejection moot.

Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejections under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

II. 35 USC § 112, First Paragraph

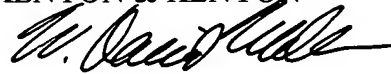
The Examiner has rejected claims 7-10 and 13-16 under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as non-enabled. Specifically, the Examiner objects to the use of the recitation “organic liquids.” This rejection has been rendered moot, however, in view of the current amendments to claim 7.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be necessary for consideration of this paper to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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